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### AARA FUN OUTING FIELD DAY

In our August General Meeting, is was discussed to host another "Field Day" type session for not only new hams, but seasoned hams as well. The purpose of this exercise is to set up remotely and activate a Parks on the Air, Beach on the Air, or to just have a station set up for some contacts.

Below you will see the times and locations. If you are interested in participating at one of these locations, please RSVP to which location you would like to participate in so we can get an accurate head count and begin to start logistics. Furthermore, if you would like to set up your own station at a remote location, please let us know so we can add you to the call list.

This will be a fun outing to test the limitations of your set up. Even if you are unable to attend one of the locations, we would encourage you to utilize your own home station to perhaps listen in and function as a relay station.

Frequencies are TBA currently.

When: Saturday September 11th - 0800 - 1200

Who: All members Where: Various locations

Chris Ancelet – N5MCY – Setting up a BOTA (Beaches on the Air)

Cameron Parish, Holly Beach.

**Tom Dischler** – W5OHJ – Setting up a POTA (Parks on the Air) Chicot

State Park

**Steve Webre** – AF5VR – Setting up a local "relay type station" at his Farm

in Church Point.

Chris Ancelet N5MCY 337-591-8871 cancelet@gmail.com



### AARA SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021 GENERAL MEETING

September Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 PM - VE Testing @ 6:00 PM Candyland Cottage & Ice Cream Shoppe 109 Benoit Patin Road

Scott, LA 70583

<u>Please Note,</u> that with the ever changing climate around the COVID19 topic, we should expect to have your suitable mask with you. In addition, if you are not feeling well, we ask that you please do not attend the meeting for the safety of others.

# **September AARA General Meeting**

Since our last meeting at Candyland Cottage, I have received several emails from attendees stating that the venue was great. folks enjoyed the ability to grab a sweet treat prior to the meeting. Today, I was able to return to the location and meet with the manager of the location. I was told that they were extremely happy that we had chosen them to host the meeting and they were looking forward to our next meeting. When I asked if there was availability, I was told that they had already penciled us in and were anxiously waiting.

One item of business that we were not able to accomplish at our last meeting was VE testing. To combat that. I asked if we could have the meeting room beginning at 6:00 PM. They had no issues with us arriving to begin testing at 6:00. We will simply place a sign on the door of the meeting room stating "Testing in Progress" and as members arrive for the general meeting, we can gather at the rear of the shop and enjoy our conversations over a beverage, ice cream, or whatever you like. So that will take care of the VE portion.

So as of today, we are on the books for our September meeting to be held at the Candyland Cottage in Scott on September 2<sup>nd</sup> with VE testing beginning promptly at 6pm and the General Meeting beginning at 7:00 PM.

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

GENERAL MEETING
September 2, 2021 @ 7:00 PM
VE Testing @ 6:00 PM
Candyland Cottage & Ice Cream
Shoppe

109 Benoit Patin Road Scott, LA 70583

## **Local 2-Meter Nets Monday**

AARA Monday Night Net 7:00 PM 146.820– PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA Tuesday

Region 4 SkyWarn/ARES Net 7:00 PM 147.040+ PL 103.5 Lafayette, I.A

Wednesday Silent Key Memorial Net 7:00 PM 146.820– PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA Thursday

Rag Chew Net 8:00 PM 443.000+ 5.000 PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA

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David M<sup>C</sup>Cutcheon KG5JHR

### 2021 SHREVEPORT - BOSSIER HAMFEST RECAP

The Shreveport-Bossier Hamfest was a rousing success. Approximately 400 attendees came and enjoyed a variety of vendors, flea marketers, great food and ham activities.







Main Trading Company was our central vendor. The Sign Man of Baton Rouge also participated. 85 flea market tables were busy all day and thousands of raffle tickets were purchased.

2 new Technician candidates earned their licenses, 3 upgraded to General and 5 to Amateur Extra.

ARRL had a well-attended forum with Delta Division and Louisiana officials all present.

Our three happy top prize winners all opted for cash. They were Dave Crowder W5FYR of Hope, Arkansas (\$1000 cash), Donald Hall K5AQ of Greenville, Texas (\$400 cash) and Sid Ingram N5KIG of De Queen, Arkansas (\$100 cash).

Should you wish to discuss our Hamfest in greater detail with the goal of tweaking a future Acadiana Hamfest, please contact Bobby Matthews W5BDX (bobby@nlacpa.com) our Hamfest Chair.

73, David Serra WØKD Secretary-Treasurer Shreveport Amateur Radio Association



Jim Bookter N5NVP - Gary Stratton K5GLS and Ed Hudgens WB4RHQ Delta Vice Director

Photos taken by Dave Norris K5UZ ARRL Delta Director



### **2021 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET)**

The 2021 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET) is just ahead. The primary ARRL-sponsored national emergency exercise is designed to assess the skills and preparedness of Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES®) volunteers, as well as those affiliated with other organizations involved with emergency and disaster response. The primary SET weekend is October 2-3, but Local and Sectionwide exercises may take place throughout the fall. The annual SET encourages maximum participation by all amateur radio operators, partner organizations, and national, state, and local officials who typically engage in emergency or disaster response.

In addition to ARES volunteers, radio amateurs active in the National Traffic System, Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES), SKY-WARN<sup>TM</sup>, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), and a variety of other allied groups and public service-oriented radio amateurs are needed to fulfill important roles in this nationwide exercise.

The SET allows volunteers to test equipment, modes, and skills under simulated emergency conditions and scenarios. Individuals can use the time to update a "go-kit" for use during deployments and to ensure their home station's operational capability in an emergency or disaster. To get involved, contact your local ARRL Emergency Coordinator or Net Manager. Check on upcoming planned activities through local, state, or Sectionwide nets.

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### WHY IS IT CALLED A "GUY" LINE?

by Herman Campbell KN5GRK

I was watching a TV show called "Dirty Jobs" with Mike Rowe (Episode S6-E8), where Mike is helping erect a 330 foot radio tower. During the show Mike asked this question "why do they call it a guy wire?". I asked myself "why do they?", which got my curiosity up and after doing quite a bit of "Google-ing", I came up with my edited explanation as:

On November 5, 1605 a man named Guy Fawkes (a Pro-Catholic sympathizer) led a plot to kill King James and the Protestant Church by blowing up the British Parliament by placing 36 barrels of gunpowder under the building. Someone exposed the plot before it was carried out and Guy Fawkes and the other surviving chief conspirators were sentenced to be hanged, drawn and quartered in London. Moments before the start of his execution, on January 31, 1606, Fawkes jumped from a ladder while climbing to the gallows, breaking his neck and dying.

This became the "<u>GUNPOWDER PLOT</u>" which people of Great Britain celebrate each year on November 5.

It remains the custom in Britain, on or around 5 November, to let off fireworks. Traditionally, in the weeks running up to the 5th, children made "guys" - effigies supposedly of Fawkes - usually made from old clothes stuffed with newspaper, and fitted with a grotesque mask, to be burnt on 5 November bonfire. These guys were exhibited in the street to collect money for fireworks, although this custom has become less common.



The word "guy" thus came in the 19<sup>th</sup> century to mean an oddly dressed person, and hence in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries to mean any male person.

Hey guys! Another meaning of "guy" comes from a guy rope, which is basically a rope that supports something like a tent to a pole. What a guy! So to guy means "to support," or "tied to" and not just physically. It's almost like "guide." The word comes from Guy Fawkes, who famously plotted to blow up Parliament in 1605 and is still burned in effigy yearly on the British Guy Fawkes Day.

https://www.history.com/topics/british-history/gunpowder-plot



Table reservations: Contact Joe N5OZG at *Joen5ozg@hotmail.com* or call me at 504-288-7084.

### August 5, 2021 VE Test Session Results



Another month without anyone testing. If you are interested in testing, contact me and if enough candidates desire to test,

we may set up a test session other than a club general meeting.

73 de Greg K5LFT k5lft@lusfiber.net

The September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 VE Test Session will take place at:

Candyland Cottage & Ice Cream Shoppe 109 Benoit Patin Road Scott, LA 70583

Testing takes place each first Thursday of the month at the AARA General Meeting at 6:00 PM.

Rules and what you need to bring to a VE Test Session can be found here:

http://www.w5ddl.org/VE% 20Exams.htm





### 13 COLONIES SPECIAL EVENT ROUNDUP

by Herman Campbell KN5GRK

Many of our club members participated in the annual 13 Original Colonies over the 4th of July weekend from July 1st to July 8th, 2021. This is the largest competitive and patriotic event of the year in my opinion. Anyone with a Technician or higher license, a radio and antenna can compete.

This is the fourth time for me, just for fun this year, however in previous years, I went all the way by sending and receiving QSL cards to each state and filing for the clean sweep certificates which incurs a lot of work and some expense. I did manage to work all 13 colonies but did not succeed in working the bonus stations and did send in my log for the certificate. I worked them on 20 meters sideband using a inverted "V" dipole at 30 feet and 300 watts.

I have asked our club members to submit a brief description of their experience of this event. These are the answers I received:

John W4VHV - I was feeling a bit more patriotic than usual and decided to join the fun. I managed to work all the stations on CW or FT8.

(20M CW - NY,VA,RI,CT,DE,NC,NH,PA, WM3PEN) (40M CW - GA, SC) (6M FT8 - NY) (12M FT8 - GA) (17M FT8 - NH) (20M FT8 - RI, DE,MD,GA,MA.WM3PEN) (30M FT8 - SC) (40M FT8 - NC). Was not able to work GB13COL or TM13COL...

God Bless! de John Cunniff, JR W4VHV.

### Region 4 ARES / SkyWarn Net



On the August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 net held on the 143.070 repeater with Glen KF5FNP net control and David KG5JHR assisting net control a training session was initiated.

Proper procedure of filling out a "GOH-SEP Resource Request Form" in .PDF and . TXT were discussed in passing traffic to gov-



ernment agencies during emergencies using WinLink and FLDIGI programs.

On the August 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> nets, another practice session took place with members sending audio message to another member on the VHF repeater.

Anyone is welcome to check in with us on each Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM on the 147.040 PL 103.5 Duson repeater.

**Update 8/27/2021** - I've just contacted the new keeper of the key for the courthouse and together we'll be looking at our new quarters on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor of the building. This has both access to the internet and emergency power. While there, I'm planning to try bringing up the current SkyWarn repeater system. We'll see if that is successful.

Also, I've just submitted a proposal to Craig and Linda for a new Sky-Warn repeater with a two antenna array at 350' or so. Keep your fingers crossed. I think this would really be a good thing for our Emcom capabilities here in the parish.

73's de Ed Roy WA5TNK



# 2021 ARRL Louisiana Section Amateur of the Year Award

The winner of the 2021 ARRL Louisiana Section Year Amateur the Year goes to Emile Diodene III KE5QKR of Slidell, Louisiana.

Emile is heavily involved in Ozone Amateur Radio Club (OARC) in Slidell and is very involved with (and does training) with Packet Radio, D-Star, D-Rats, DMR, System Fusion, HF, EmComm and Raspberry Pi. He is

very involved in Field Day along with Winter Field Day and is a frequent guest on AmateurLogic (<a href="https://www.amateurlogic.tv">https://www.amateurlogic.tv</a>) internet video program.

These are just a few things I can tell you about Emile. I hope this helps. I will present Emile his plaque at the Slidell hamfest in October. If you have the opportunity, please congratulate Emile.

Thanks Emile for all you do for the Louisiana Section and Amateur Radio.

73, John Mark K5JMR

ARRL Louisiana Section Section Manager: John Mark Robertson, K5JMR k5jmr@arrl.org



# FCC Application Fees Unlikely to Go into Effect Until 2022

ZCZC AG21 QST de W1AW ARRL Bulletin 21 ARLB021 From ARRL Headquarters Newington CT August 17, 2021

To all radio amateurs:

The schedule of FCC amateur radio application fees likely will not go into effect before 2022. FCC staff confirmed during a recent virtual meeting with Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (VECs) that the agency is still working on the necessary changes to the Universal Licensing System (ULS) software and other processes and procedures that must be in place before it starts collecting fees from amateur applicants. Earlier this year, the FCC said

it would not start collecting fees from amateur applicants before this Summer. The new estimate is that the fees won't go into effect until early next year.

Once it's effective, the \$35 application fee will apply to new, modification (upgrade and sequential call sign change), renewal, and vanity call sign applications. All fees will be per application. Administrative update applications, such as those to change a licensee's name, mailing, or email address, will be exempt from fees. ARRL VEC manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, said Volunteer Examiner (VE) teams will not face the burden of collecting the \$35 fee.

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(FCC Fee Schedule Change continued)

"Once the FCC application fee takes effect, new and upgrade applicants will pay the exam session fee to the VE team as usual, but they'll pay the \$35 application fee directly to the FCC using the FCC Pay Fees system," she explained.

When the FCC receives the examination information from the VEC, it will email a link with payment instructions to each successful candidate who then will have 10 days from the date of the email to pay.

The FCC Pay Fees system can be accessed at, <a href="https://apps2.fcc.gov/Batch Filer/login.cfm">https://apps2.fcc.gov/Batch Filer/login.cfm</a>.

After the fee is paid and the FCC has processed an application, examinees will receive a second email from the FCC with a link to their official license. The link will be good for 30 days. Licensees also will be able to view, download, and print official license copies by logging into their FCC ULS account. The FCC no longer provides printed licenses.

Licensees can log into the ULS with their 10-digit FRN (FCC Registration Number) and password at any time to view and manage their license and application, print their license, and update anything in their FCC license record, including adding an email address.

### **FEE SCHEDULE:**

**INDIVIDUALS** - \$35 FEE: New, modification (upgrade and sequential call sign change), renewal, and vanity call sign applications. All fees will be per application.

NO FÉE: Administrative updates, such as a change of name, mailing or email address, or license cancellation.

**AMATEUR RADIO CLUBS** - \$35 FEE: New, renewal, trustee change, and vanity call sign applications. All fees will be per application.

NO FEE: Administrative updates, such as a change of name, mailing or email address, or license cancellation.

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# **W5SLA**

### OZONE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Slidell EOC HamFest, ARRL Louisiana State Convention &

W9DYV Amateur Radio Symposium October 8-9, 2021

The Ozone Amateur Radio Club is pleased to sponsor the 2021 Slidell EOC HAMFEST. Browse the latest from our featured vendors. Sell used gear for extra cash! Find that perfect addition for your rig.

### LOCATION

SLIDELL CITY AUDITORIUM 2056 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Slidell, LA 70458 ARRL Sanctioned Hamfest - Unique Local Attractions

**DATE:** Friday October 8, 2021 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Saturday October 9, 2021 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

ADMISSION: Adults: \$5 (includes 1 raffle ticket - good for both days) -

children 12 & Under: Free

**TALK-IN:** 147.27 MHz (+600 kHz) PL 114.8 Hz

FLEA MARKET TABLES: (3' x 8') - \$10 (Does not include cost of

admission).

VE TESTING: October 9th check-in time is @ 8:30 am \$15.00 test

fee.

See: <a href="http://www.w5sla.net/classes.htm">http://www.w5sla.net/classes.htm</a> for location

and pre-registration information.

#### GRAND PRIZE DRAWING

1st Place - Yaesu FT 991 A

2nd Place - Yaesu FT 70 DR

3rd Place - Yaesu FT 70 DR

4th Place - Alinco DJ - MD5(TGP)

**5th Place -** \$100 Gift Certificate - from DX Engineering.

#### FORUM ROOM

### **SPEAKERS**

### Rob Sherwood, NCØB

- 1. Synchronous AM Detection
- 2. Transceiver Performance for HF DX

#### **Bob Heil K9EID**

Transmitter and Receiver Audio Workshop **Dave Beckler**, **NØSAP** 

- 1. The History of Eldico Radio
- 2. The Collins S2 Line

### David Assaf, W5XU

The Care and Feeding of Receiver Tubes **Scott Kerr, KE1RR** 

- 1. The Early Years of Collins Radio
- 2. Curtis Lemay, Strategic Air Command, and Collins Radio

For additional info:

www.ce-multiphase.com

### **VENDORS**

N5IAW Connectors MCM Computers

Confirmed as of 04/10/2021

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### **Licensing Classes & Testing**

Our next test session will be held on October 9th. During the Slidell Hamfest. Check in time will be at 8:30 am. Applicants should email us if they are planning to test with us. We are expecting that our numbers will be limited. Also, all applicants must have their FRN number beforehand to be tested. To reserve a place for our ARRL

Test session please email AA5UY@ARRL.NET.

## The cut off date to register for our test session will be September 1<sup>st</sup>.

You will received a confirmation email letting you know that we have a place reserved for you. If you do not receive a confirmation in a timely manner then email <code>oarc@w5sla.net</code>.

Additional instructions will be sent to each applicant. All classes will be tested, from Technician - Extra. Please read below as to what to bring to a test session. Again everyone will need to bring a copy of their license and if this is a first timer testing, you must have that FRN number.

We will not test you without it. Proper ID is also required. Anyone that is already licensed and is upgrading please bring a copy of your license so we can attach to your paperwork.

The FCC web address to get your FRN if needed is:

https://apps.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do



#### **August 2021 AREA 2 METER NET REPORTS**

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NET	SESSIONS:	TOTAL CHECK-INS:	TOTAL TRAFFIC:	TOTAL TIME: Minutes	Net Manager
AARA Monday Night Net Monday 7:00 PM - 146.820	4	56	Ø	138	KD5JSM Danny
Region 4 SkyWarn/ARES Net Tuesday 7:00 PM - 147.040	4	53	Ø	179	KN5GRK Herman
Silent Key Memorial Net Wednesday 7:00 PM - 146.820	4	4 3	Ø	109	KD5JSM Danny
Rag Chew Net Thursday 8:00 PM - 433.000	3	9	Ø	140	KD5JSM Danny

"The night before a day off is more satisfying than the actual day off".

-Unknown

### **AARA Monday Night 2 Meter Net Rotation**

Danny Daigle KD5JSM is the AARA Monday Night Net Manager and he is in charge of scheduling the Net Control Operators. Each Monday will a have a rotating NCS as listed below. Here is the September 2021 rotation:

DATE: 9/06/2021 9/13/2021 9/20/2021	<b>TIME:</b> 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	<b>REPEATER:</b> 146.820 146.820 146.820	PL TONE: 103.5 103.5 103.5	NCS: Danny KD5JSM Paul N5KNY Barrett KG5SSO
9/27/2021	7:00 PM	146.820	103.5	Brandon KG5LQM

Check into the Region 4 ARES / SkyWarn net on Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM on the 147.040 Duson repeater. <u>The 145.370 SkyWarn repeater is temporary off the air at this time</u>.

When using the SkyWarn 145.370 repeater, be sure to use the receiver PL Tone for your area as follows:

NW Quadrant 114.8 - NE Quadrant 127.3 - SW Quadrant 141.3 - SE Quadrant 94.8 - Central 103.5

The September 2021 repeater schedule can be downloaded and printed in Adobe Acrobat .PDF from the club website at:

http://www.w5ddl.org/clubsite/news/htm

### This can not be shared enough







9/05	<b>KI5GIIZ</b>	LESTER
9/12	N5RNJ	JOHN
9/13	W5MLE	FRED
9/16	KI5OQD	RANDAL
9/16	N5HVY	DALTON
9/17	KF5THS	A.J.
9/19	WD5CAE	MELVIN
10/01	N5LRZ	RAY
10/04	KI5DHH	DAVID
10/04	KI5JMD	JAKE
10/05	W50HJ	TOM

Some members failed to put their birthdays on their applications for renewal / membership causing some names to be missing from the list.



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### AARA SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

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COMPLIMENTARY ISSUE



Scott, LA 70583



### **Ingredients:**

- ° 2 kilos Italian sausage, approximately eight-10 sausages
- ° 1 green pepper reduce into skinny slices
- ° 1 red pepper reduce into thin slices
- ° 1 yellow pepper sliced

- ° 2 garlic cloves, finely minced
- ° salt to taste
- ° pepper to taste
- ° 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- ° 1/four teaspoon purple pepper flakes (optional)
- ° 2 cups marinara sauce
- ° 1 tablespoon sparkling parsley, coarsely chopped

### **Directions:**

Add the sausage, pepper, onion, garlic, salt, pepper, Italian seasoning, red pepper flakes (optional), and marinara sauce to a slow cooker.

Mix till combined.

Cover and cook over excessive warmness for 3-four hours or on low warmness for 6-eight hours.

Remove the sausage and reduce it into thick slices and blend it returned withinside the crock pot.

Garnish with parsley and enjoy!

http://the-best.happycoking.com/



# FCC Information Service

Toll Free (WATS) for Amateur Radio license inquiries about new/vanity call signs: 1-888-225-5322 This will connect you the FCC National Call Center, handled by the FCC's Consumer Information Bureau. Amateurs having ULS problems or questions should contact the FCC's ULS Technical Support staff at: 202-414-1250 or:

ulscomm@fcc.gov.

FCC Website:

http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/

New call sign information can also be obtained from the ARRL/VEC at 860-594-3000.

http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec

The mailing address to the FCC

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